

**INITIAL ACKNOWLEDGMENT FAX SHEET OF RECEIPT OF DEFECT INFORMATION REPORT**  
**SUBMITTED UNDER 49 CFR PART 573**

Assigned Recall No. 03V-044 by the  
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

Part 573 Report Date: February 12, 2003

Date Faxed: February 20, 2003

Manufacturer: **Blue Bird Body Company**

Manufacturer Contact: **Mr. Bill Coleman, Recall Administrator**

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**SUBJECT: 8 Blue Bird 2004 Wanderlodge M380 motor coaches. The brake hoses may not have been routed properly resulting in the hoses contacting the frame. Blue Bird Recall No. R03GT**

This is an initial acknowledgment for this recall. A formal acknowledgment letter will be forthcoming shortly. After our review of your report and associated documents, we may have additional comments or concerns.

We have reviewed your draft owner notification letter. It is suggested that a couple of changes be made to this letter. Please change the word "determined" to "decided" in the first sentence of the second paragraph.

Also, a sentence should be added concerning leased vehicles. The suggested sentence is, "Federal law requires that any vehicle lessor receiving this recall notice must forward a copy of this notice to the lessee within ten days."

As stated in Part 573.6, submission of the first of six consecutive quarterly status reports is required within one month after the close of the calendar quarter in which notification to purchasers occurs. As stated in your report, owner notification is expected to begin during February 2003. Therefore, the first quarterly report will be due by April 30, 2003.

If you have any questions, please call:



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